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SUBJ: CUSTOMS TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE

1. GUB CUSTOMS OFFICIAL CALLED ON EMBOFF TO EXPLAIN BACKGROUND OF ACCEPTING OFFER TO PARTICIPATE IN SENIOR CUSTOMS OBSERVATION TOUR IN U.17. (REFTEL). AT LEAST PART OF DELAY WAS GAINING FULL APPROVAL OF SEVERAL MINISTRIES INVOLVED WHICH NOW COMPLETED.

2. CUSTOMS OFFICER SAID THAT THREE SENIOR OFFICERS WILL BE PROPOSED: U SOE MYINT, DIRECTOR; U KYAW MAUNG, DIRECTOR; AND U SAN YA, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR. U MYA THEIN, DIRECTOR-GENERAL, UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE DUE TO COMMITMENT TO ATTEND ANTI-NARCOTICS CONFERENCE IN GENEVA. DETAILS OF THE TOUR (INCLUDING PER DIEM) OF MUCH INTEREST AS IS TIMING; BURMESE PREFER TO TRAVEL DURING CLEMENT WEATHER. DURATION OF TOUR PRESENTS NO PROBLEM; IMPRESSION WAS THE LONGER, THE BETTER.

3. EAGERNESS EXPRESSED BY CUSTOMS IS MOST GRATIFYING. LITTLE IN WAY OF THIS TYPE OF VISIT HAS BEEN POSSIBLE IN RECENT YEARS. APPRECIATE BEST EFFORTS IN FACILITATING TOUR.
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